1 2 3 4 5 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 6 7 8 DAVIS D. HARRIS, No. 2:21-CV-0917-DMC-P 9 Plaintiff, 10 **ORDER** v. 11 MARCH FONG EU, et al., 12 Defendants. 13 14 Plaintiff, a prisoner proceeding pro se, brings this civil rights action under 42 U.S.C. 15 § 1983. Before the Court is Plaintiff's motion to refer this case for alternative dispute resolution. 16 See ECF No. 8. The Court construes the motion as one seeking referral for a settlement conference. 17 Referral for a settlement conference is inappropriate at this time. The Court has not yet screened Plaintiff's complaint as required under 28 U.S.C. § 1915A¹ or ordered the complaint served on any 18 19 defendant. Accordingly, Plaintiff's motion is **DENIED**, without prejudice to renewal of the motion 20 following completion of service and the appearance of all parties. 21 IT IS SO ORDERED. 22 Dated: July 20, 2021 23 DENNIS M. COTA UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE 24 25

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¹ The Court is required to screen complaints brought by prisoners seeking relief against a governmental entity or officer or employee of a governmental entity. <u>See</u> 28 U.S.C. § 1915A(a). The Court must dismiss a complaint or portion thereof if it: (1) is frivolous or malicious; (2) fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted; or (3) seeks monetary relief from a defendant who is immune from such relief. <u>See</u> 28 U.S.C. § 1915A(b)(1)–(2).